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FOR COMMERCIAL OFFICERS FROM SIMPSON

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SUBJ: 1976 E/C CONFERENCE -- TOPICS FOR DISCUSSION

1. FOLLOWING FOR POST INFORMATION IS A TENTATIVE LISTING OF TOPICS TO BE COVERED AT CONFERENCE TO BE HELD IN CANBERRA MAY 17-18. WE WELCOME POSTS' SUGGESTIONS AS TO ANY ADDITIONS OR MODIFICATIONS TO THIS LIST THAT WILL MAKE CONFERENCE MORE USEFUL TO PARTICIPANTS. AS WAS THE CASE LAST YEAR, ALL COMMERCIAL OFFICERS AS WELL AS MS. MURRAY AND MESSRS GOODSELL AND STEIN OF USTC ARE INVITED TO ATTEND. ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS WILL FOLLOW IN SEPTELS.

2. CONFERENCE WILL OPEN AT 0830 HOURS MONDAY MAY 17 IN EMBASSY CONFERENCE ROOM AND CONCLUDE AT 1700 FOLLOWING DAY. WE PROPOSE AGENDA INCLUDE ITEMS LISTED BELOW.

- A. OPENING REMARKS BY AMBASSADOR HARGROVE.
- B. AUSTRALIAN AND U.S. ECONOMIC SITUATION AND OUTLOOK
- C. EVALUATION OF 76 CCP.
- D. DISCUSSION OF DRAFT 77 CCP.
- E. DISCUSSION OF PRELIMINARY INPUTS FOR 78 CCP.

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F. AN OUTSIDE SPEAKER FROM GOA -- POST SUGGESTIONS AS

TO TOPIC FOR SUCH A SPEAKER WOULD BE PARTICULARLY
WELCOME.

G. USIS ROLE IN TRADE PROMOTION.

H. ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURES AND PROBLEMS.

I. MINERALS AND ENERGY.

J. AGRICULTURAL DEVELOPMENTS.

K. DEFENSE PROCUREMENT.

L. OVERALL US-AUSTRALIAN RELATIONS AND ROLE OF E/C

PROGRAM.

M. NON-CAMPAIGN E/C ACTIVITIES AND PROBLEMS, INCLUDING
REPORTING; THE ADS, TRADE OPPORTUNITY, WTDR,

FUNCTIONS; MARKET RESEARCH; AND OTHER OPERATIONAL
TOPICS POSTS MAY WISH TO RAISE.

N. TRADE CENTER STATUS.

3. WE WOULD LIKE TO COMPLETE AND FORWARD TO PARTICIPANTS
DETAILED CONFERENCE PROGRAM SCHEDULE ON MAY 6.

WE WOULD THEREFORE APPRECIATE IT IF YOU WOULD FORWARD YOU
COMMENTS AND SUGGESTIONS TO ME NO LATER THAN
CLOSE OF BUSINESS WEDNESDAY MAY 5.

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